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SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

The present amendment supplements the previously unentered amendment dated July 27, 2005 which prior amendment is requested to be entered with the filing of the present RCE, along with this amendment. In the aggregate, these amendments are responsive to the prior Office Action dated April 28, 2005, the interview conducted on July 15, 2005, and the Advisory Action dated August 12, 2005.

The claims remain as presented in the July 27, 2005 amendment, with claims 1 and 4-8 pending.

It is noted with appreciation that the rejection of claim 1 under Section 112 has been withdrawn.

The amendment dated July 27, 2005 responds to the rejection contained in the April 28, 2005 Office Action, which rejection was on the basis of alleged interconvertibility of esters and acids. The present supplementary response is directed toward the Addendum to